## **Motivational Interviewing**

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# Motivational Interviewing

- Introductions
- Hopes
- Limitations
- Overview
- Experience with MI or SOC?
- Possibilities in 4 hours

#### Persuasion

- Take 2 or 3 minutes with the person next to you.
- Share with that person one thing you are considering changing
- Listener: Use your best persuasive skills in favor of what you think they should do..try to solve their dilemma; offer options or convince or persuade them of the possible solutions
- Talker-consider how this works for you-you will have your turn next to address your partner's area of change
  - Switch Roles!

#### Human Ruler

- On a scale of "0" to "10" where 0 is no importance and 10 is of highest importance for you, how important for you is it to be able to facilitate change with the people you work with?
- On the same scale, how confident are you now that you have the skills to do so?

# Dancing vs. Wrestling



# Righting Reflex-Getting stuck

- We often feel it our responsibility for other people to change:
- ...It may feel like part of our job
- ...It may feel essential because we feel someone is at risk, ruining their life, or not achieving their potential
- ... We may end up wanting change more than the person in charge of it
- ...We push, they resist or defend.....
- And the wrestling, not dancing, starts

# Righting Reflex-Reactions

- Anger, agitation
- Opposition, rebellion
- Discount, dismiss
- Defend
- Justify
- Avoid, ignore
- Procrastinate
- Feel misunderstood or
  - Not heard

- Fear
- Helplessness
- Shame
- Disengaged
- Uncomfortable
- Stuck
- Overwhelmed

Natural responses

**BUT Not helpful** 

# Ambivalence

"People often get stuck, not because they fail to appreciate the down side of their situation, but because they feel at least two ways about it."



Miller & Rollnick

# Listening-An Art

- Not easy or simple, but can be better if:
  - We set aside agendas (temporarily), and our anxiety about the next step, point, thought, or argument
  - Focus on learning about, from and how- be curious
  - Think reflectively
  - Recognize the value and power of being witness to another person's experience and work
  - Respect silence and other's use of silence.
  - Allow ourselves to develop our inherent ability with listening.

# Good listening-Impact

- Feel understood
- Gain clarity
- Feel accepted
- Want to talk more
- Feel respected
- Feel engaged
- Feel safe
- Feel empowered
- Feel hopeful

- Like the listener/counselor
- Feel interested
- Want to come back
- Cooperative
- Willing to work with
- Willing to consider change

Helpful and a good relationship

# Stages of Change Model/Self Determination Theory

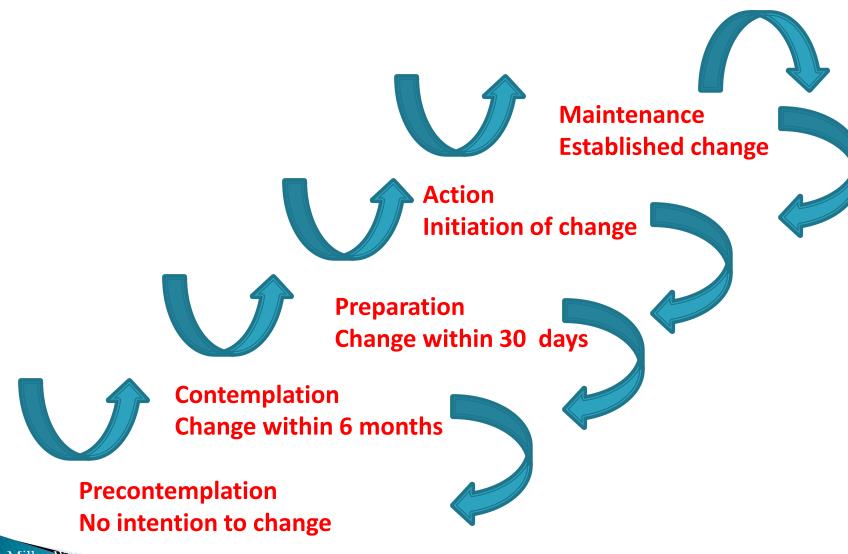
- Readiness for change: Precontemplation, Contemplation, Preparation, Action, Maintenance
- Constructs to explain how people change and how to facilitate change
- Stages interact with intervention strategies
- Matching is believed to be most fruitful to facilitation of change.
- Internal (intrinsic) motivation is believed to be more powerful than external motivation.



## What is Motivational Interviewing?

- The current, updated definition of Motivational Interviewing is as follows: "Motivational interviewing is a collaborative, person-centered form of guiding to elicit and strengthen motivation for change"
  - Utilizes concepts of the transtheoretical model of behavior change (readiness model) but is not TM
  - Emphasizes personal empowerment
  - Backbone is counseling and communication skills of client-centered approach applied in a strategic method

#### Transtheoretical Model of Change-Dynamic Stages



(DiClemente CC, Velasquez I.A.)

# Motivational Interviewing....

- Places an emphasis on the role the relationship plays in facilitating or blocking change
- Considers that our attitudes and ideas about change can set the stage for facilitation or stagnation
- Values listening as a viable tool and activating technique for the facilitation of change
- Recognizes that knowledge is not entirely sufficient as motivation for change

# Motivational Interviewing

- Requires a shift in role from 'expert' to facilitator
- Considers that both practitioner and client may have agendas that are meaningful and important
- Utilizes evidence based principles of change to facilitate movement
- Respects the autonomy of the 'the person who needs to change' ('changer'); only they ultimately control their outcome
- Focuses on empowerment

# MI 3 version (upcoming)

 Motivational Interviewing is a collaborative goal oriented style of communication with particular attention to the language of change. It is designed to strengthen personal motivation for and commitment to a specific goal by eliciting and exploring the person's own reasons for change within an atmosphere of acceptance and compassion

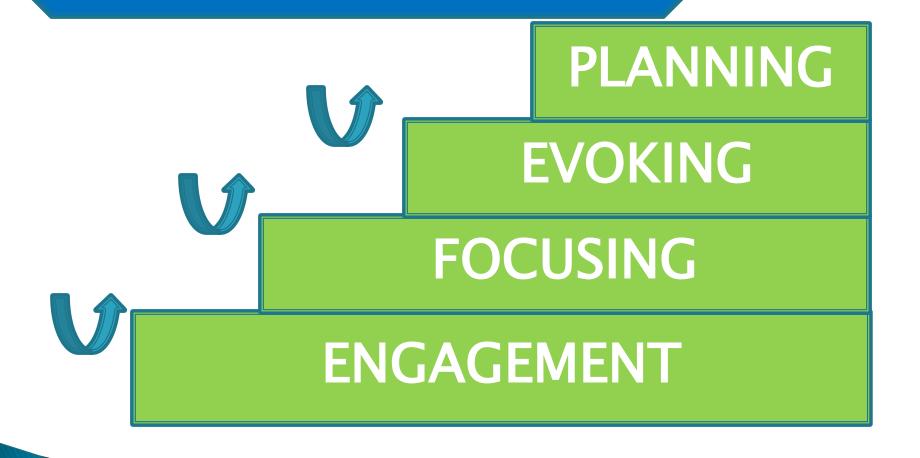
Handout: What's New in MI-3 As of September 6, 2011 presented by W. Miller and S. Rollnick at the Motivational Interviewing Network of Trainers Forum in Sheffield, UK, Sept, 6, 2011.



"Given a choice between changing and proving that it is not necessary, most people get busy with the proof."

John Galbraith

# 4 Processes form the foundation of MI



# Engagement-MI Spirit

- Believes in the importance of adopting the philosophy of change in which spirit is connected to technique:
- Or 'Words without Music'-no song
- Or 'Wrestling not Dancing'-not about winning
- Key to MI SPIRIT:
- Collaboration
- Evocation
- Autonomy/Support
- Compassion

# Exercise-MI Spirit

- Video
- Handout-Collaboration, Evocation, Autonomy/Support
- Listen to the Counselor and check handout
- Make note or check when you the counselor interacting in any way that appears to be
  - 1-Collaboration, 2-Evocation, or 3-Autonomy /Support
- We will discuss your scores and examples after.

# **Engagement to Focusing 5 Principles of MI: GRACE**

- ▶ G Create a Gap
- R Roll with resistance
- A Avoid Arguing
- C Can do attitude
- ▶ E Express empathy

#### Create a Gap-Develop Discrepancy

- A gap is a motivating discrepancy
- Discrepancy comes from within the client
- Good topics: where I want to be and where I am
- Clients present arguments for change
- Goal elicit and reinforce change statements

#### Roll with Resistance

- Resistance is energy
- Opposing resistance strengthens it
- If resistance increases, change strategies
- Offer new perceptions, don't impose or argue them
- Use client as a resource for finding solutions
- Resistance is a signal to respond differently– change strategies

# **Avoid Arguing**

- Key to effective MI: keep resistance low
- Client resistance influenced by therapist behavior
- The more confrontation, more drinking, eating, avoiding
- Avoid arguing for change
- Acceptance of label (obese, alcoholic), unnecessary for change

# Can do attitude-Support Self-Efficacy

- High self-esteem unnecessary
- Without Can Do, risk turns to defensiveness
- Impart belief that change is possible
- The client will choose change, not you

# **Express Empathy**

- Ability to accurately understand the client's meaning and experience (walk a mile in their shoes)
- Ability to reflect accurate understanding back to the client
- Creates safety to explore conflicts and face reality.
- Use non-possessive warmth, accurate understanding, and unconditional positive regard.
- Not having had the same experience or problem
- Not feeing bad for the person (sympathy)
- Not identifying with another person
- Opposite of breaking through denial

#### Video

- What is happening in this interchange?
- Which of the MI Spirit pieces are present?
- (Collaboration, Evocation, Autonomy/Support)
- What about the Foundational Processes where are they?
- (Engagement, Focusing, Evoking, Planning)
- What about Principles? (GRACE)

## **BREAK**

▶ 15 minutes please!

### Keeping your paddles in the water

- Moving safely through challenging waters
- Keep in mind Engagement-do you have it?
- Want to be able to Focus-are clients with you?
- Will you be able to Evoke reasons for change?

#### MI "Microskills" - OARS

- Essential Skills to effective practice.
- Used differentially depending on client need
- Helping roles may lead us to tell people what to do instead of LISTEN and work with them
- Basic skills we can use when we feel stuck
- Backbone of MI

#### MI "Microskills" - OARS

- Open-ended Questions
- Affirmations
- Reflective listening
- Summaries

# **Open-ended Questions**

- Sets the tone for MI work
- Creates momentum
- Focus broadly
- Key question: "What would you like to focus on today?" "What are you ready to address about your health?"
- Rules of thumb:
  - More open than closed questions

#### **Affirmations**

- Remember: Change is HARD
- Some clients are demoralized
- Notice and appreciate all steps and positive action
- Be genuine
- Explore partial successes
- Recognize resistance as energy-affirmation
- Think of specific affirmations your have received in your life-what made it powerful or meaningful? Give this gift to others....

# Reflective Listening

- MI is built on this listening skill
- Need to think reflectively (not for your next question)
- Levels of reflection:
  - Simple Reflection:
    - Rephrase and repetition
  - Complex reflection:
    - Paraphrase (amplified, double-sided)
    - · Reflection of feeling, meaning, metaphor, etc.
- Vary your depth

# Forming Reflective Statements

- Not a question but a statement-no up at end
- It is a hypothesis-a guess about what the person means:
- DO you mean that you....?
- BUT remove question words ....you....
- Inflect your voice down at the end:
- "You are so tired of trying and seeing no benefit."
- Doesn't matter if people agree or disagree

#### **Summaries**

- Special form of reflective listening
- Structure:
  - Indicate you're about to summarize
  - Be selective–MI summaries focus on:
  - Ambivalence, Efforts & Attend to change statements
  - Be concise!
  - End with invitation– Correct? What do you think?
- Use to change directions or ask a key question, or end a consultation (if end allow time for discussion or adding to summary)

#### Video-Steve Rollnick

- Listen for OARS
- Listen for Planning

# Facilitating Brief Encounters

- Importance and Confidence Rulers
  - One method of getting change talk:
  - How <u>Confident</u> are you on a scale of 1-10 that you can change X?
    - What made you choose a 5 and not an 8 (why not higher)?
    - What made you choose a 5 and not a 3 (why not lower)?
  - How <u>Important</u> is it to you to change X?
    - Why not lower?
    - Why not higher?

# Planning

- Listening
- How do you know someone is ready to plan for change and set goals?
- What do they say when you evoke Change Talk?
- What do you hear that is sustain talk (stay the same) versus Change Talk?

# Facilitating and listening for change DARN-CAT

- Listening for Change Talk
- Preparatory Change Talk
- Desire
- Ability
- Reasons
- Need
- Mobilizing Change Talk
- Commitment
- Activation
- Taking Steps

# Repeat of Video 1

- Listen for
- DARN
- Desire Ability Reason Need
- CAT
- Commitment, Activation, Taking Steps

# Information & Advice-giving

#### Three scenarios:

- Patient asks
- You have information (lab results)
- Ethics demand it
- Remember; who is in charge of change?
- Be skillful with your talk time

# Facilitating Brief Encounters

- Explore-Offer-Explore
- E- What ideas do you have about your interest/readiness/ability to...?
- ▶ O- My concern is that despite ...
- ▶ E- What do you think?

# Facilitating Brief Encounters

- Permission, ASK, Provide, Ask-PAPA
- ▶ P- May I share a concern?
- ▶ **A** What would you do if...?
- ▶ P- I'm worried that despite your ...
- A- What are your thoughts about this?

# "Next steps"

- Seek out additional materials
- Obtain additional training
- Consider how this information translates to how you approach intervention now?
- What would be different? How does your system support or not support and MI approach?
- How ready are you to apply this approach in your work?

#### Resources

- Miller & Rollnick (2002). Motivational Interviewing Preparing People for Change. Guilford Press:NY.
- Arkowitz, et al (2008). Motivational Interviewing in the treatment of Psychological Problems. Guilford: NY
- Rosengren, D (2009) Motivational Interviewing Practitioner Handbook. Guilford Press: NY.
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